

PALMER FORECASTS EARLY DROP IN COST OF LIVING JUDGE ANDERSON SENSORS WINNERS' OFFICIAL TO JAIL U. S. AGENTS RAID BUSINLERY NEAR RICHMOND

THREE LARGE STILLS FOUND AT LAKESIDE

Forty Barrels of Mash and One
Prisoner Are Taken
in Raid.

MOONSHINE GUARD ESCAPES

Illicit Plant Camouflaged by
Pine Needles and Boughs
in Deep Gully.

Unfolding a new chapter in moonshine raids, internal revenue agents last night, within five miles of Virginia's State Capitol, half a mile north of the Lakeside Road, ferreted out the secret haunts of moonshiners, found three large stills and forty barrels of mash and dealt the heaviest blow to illicit liquor traffickers about Richmond in recent years.

As a result of the raid, Henry Harris, negro, is under arrest, and search is being prosecuted for another negro, Nathan Gray, who escaped from a lone guard, fleeing across the snow-covered road armed with a rifle and a knife.

Moving swiftly, seven government officers and Detective H. H. Hall, of the Third Police Station, South Side, found the area under the great copper barrel, and the discovery of a variety of food leads the officers to the belief that the stills were being worked three shifts of eight hours each daily by an organized band.

Following footprints leading from Harris cabin to a nearby creek, the revenue agents discovered an abandoned still, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

Hidden by camouflage.
If Gray had not been wearing a new pair of overalls of a peculiar style, his silence might have baffled the officers. But the agents, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

Then the greatest surprise of all came. The officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

Auto Driver Questioned.
Trees had been cut down, but investigation disclosed the fact that fuel had been hauled from other sections for the stills. The driver was questioned, but he insisted that he came to see about the moonshine. The officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

An automobile drove into the wood and the officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

The deception employed by the moonshiners was such as to require slow work. The officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

The task of destroying the forty barrels of mash continued until the early hours of the morning. The three could not lift any one of them from the ground.

MUST RELY ON AMERICA

Lord Curzon Says Allies Unable to Help
Austria Unless United States
Co-Operates.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Replying to a question by Viscount Grey, of the House of Lords today, concerning assistance to Austria, Lord Curzon, the Foreign Secretary, declared that no great scheme was possible without the help of the United States.

Army Officer Kills Himself.
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Lieutenant Colonel Andrew W. Smith, United States regular army, shot and killed himself at Fort Sheridan Hospital today. He had been in the hospital suffering from nervous ailment and insomnia. To policeman the officer reached over, snatched the pistol from the soldier's holster, and shot himself.

"Decision Day" Passes; No Word on 2.75 Beer

(By Universal Service.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Another "decision day" was passed by the Supreme Court today without any word on the subject of 2.75 per cent beer. Speculators who were attracted to the court by the belief that there would be a decision were disappointed.

The case before the court is that brought by Jacob Huppert et al. involving the constitutionality of the Volstead act which prohibits 2.75 beer as an intoxicant. In the opinion of some of the attorneys interested in the case, the failure of the court to decide the case today was a favorable sign; they reasoned that if the court had made up its mind to decide the case, the decision would not have been postponed, but would have been rendered at an earlier date.

The court made one ruling in respect to the prohibition controversy. In ordering the hearing on the bill of the State of Rhode Island and the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association of New Jersey should not be filed.

In the Rhode Island case, the Association asked for permission to file suits attacking the constitutionality of the Federal prohibition amendment.

Support of the amendment must be filed at the same time.

JUDGE WEST WITHDRAWS

ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT
FROM JUDGESHIP RACE

Action Leaves But Two Candidates
For Successor to Judge
Whittle.

Working on a tip, the officers drove to a dilapidated farmhouse, where they found Henry Harris. He admitted the existence of a still in the neighborhood. Officers came upon a large still, and the discovery of a variety of food leads the officers to the belief that the stills were being worked three shifts of eight hours each daily by an organized band.

Following footprints leading from Harris cabin to a nearby creek, the revenue agents discovered an abandoned still, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

Hidden by camouflage.
If Gray had not been wearing a new pair of overalls of a peculiar style, his silence might have baffled the officers. But the agents, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

Then the greatest surprise of all came. The officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

An automobile drove into the wood and the officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

The deception employed by the moonshiners was such as to require slow work. The officers, who had been told that the stills were hidden under the boughs of a pine tree, and further down the stream they came upon several kegs, evidently placed there to be cleaned. At this juncture a negro, walking along the top of a ridge with a rifle in his arm, was intercepted and questioned, but he would give no information to his interrogators. He gave the name of Nathan Gray.

The task of destroying the forty barrels of mash continued until the early hours of the morning. The three could not lift any one of them from the ground.

LAD SLAYS DRUNKEN FATHER IN DEFENDING HIS INJURED MOTHER

North Carolina Mountain Boy
Uses Shotgun Against
Liquor-Crazed Parent.

ASHLEYVILLE, N. C., Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—A boy, 13 years old, was killed by his father in a drunken condition, in defense of his mother and helpless sister. The father, who was drunk, was shot by the boy, who was defending his mother and sister. The father was shot in the head and died. The boy was not injured.

AUSTRIA MAKES APPEAL TO AMERICA FOR HELP

Chancellor Says Only Quick Action Can
Save Lives of Thousands.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—An appeal for American aid in Austria was made today by the Austrian government. The Austrian government is appealing to the United States for help in saving the lives of thousands of Austrians who are suffering from the effects of the war.

CLOSING DONATIONS BRING CHARITY FUND TO \$2,850

Final Contributions for "Ten Opportunities" Accompanied by
Letters of Appreciation.

GOAL EXCEEDED BY \$630.05

Times-Dispatch Reader Writes.
Pointing Out Constructive Benevolence Made Possible by Subscriptions for Unfortunate Families.

Although the "Ten Opportunities" fund presented by The Times-Dispatch for the relief of ten stricken families was oversubscribed within a week, and closed last Saturday night, yesterday's mail brought further contributions amounting to \$185.75 as well as many letters of appreciation for the efforts of the fund.

With the closing contributions yesterday the total sum subscribed to the "Ten Opportunities" reached \$2,850.05, exceeding by \$630.05 the quota fixed for the ten families.

Among the letters commending the fund, one from J. E. Hall, of Richmond, who wrote:
"Accept my congratulations on the successful outcome of the 'Ten Opportunities' fund, and those that have recently gone before, and best wishes for all that may follow."

"My opinion is that your paper is not only the 'premier morning daily' of the country, but that it is entitled to a similar rank as a charity work."

Means Constructive Charity.
"Through your various 'opportunities' the past month or so, should say \$5,000, more or less, have been raised, and the end is not yet."

You and they have put Virginia on a pedestal. You have been more than a mere newspaper, but a constructive charity, and all the private and public, making it the highest form of constructive charity, and one to which all can contribute with confidence.

Office Men Charitable.
"Let me say that in such offices there is always a tremendous latent charity. You have shown it in your work."

Another was from a person signing "L. H. K.," who wrote:
"You have performed a noble and charitable act, and it is a pleasure to see the homes of a score or more of families where the shadow of gloom and sorrow previously lurked, and where the Christmas and New Year's greetings to you and your entire force."

Final contributions received yesterday to be divided equally among the ten families. The fund was established to help ten stricken families in Richmond and the surrounding area.

Contributors include: M. H. K., \$10.00; A. Friend, \$5.00; Mrs. Hargrett, \$5.00; T. M. S., \$5.00; J. E. H., \$5.00; C. H. G., \$5.00; P. J. C., \$5.00; M. B. C., \$5.00; H. C. W., \$5.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$172.75; Opportunity No. 1, \$1.00; Mrs. P. M. Repberger, \$1.00; A. B., \$1.00; Yesterday's contributions, \$3.00; Cash, \$1.00; P. A. B., \$1.00; A friend from the country, \$1.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$1.00; Opportunity No. 8, \$1.00; P. A. B., \$1.00; A friend from the country, \$1.00; Yesterday's contributions, \$3.50; Opportunity No. 10, \$1.00; Miss Frances B. Rupberger, \$1.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$1.00; Final total, \$2,850.05.

I. W. W. POST, NE GENERAL LUMBER INDUSTRY STRIKE

Reds Had Intended to Paralyze Operations
in Northwest Beginning
January 1.

ALEXANDER HOWAT HELD BY INDIANAPOLIS COURT

U. S. District Judge Declines to Accept
\$10,000 Check in Lieu
of Bond.

DENOUNCES KANSAS'S ATTITUDE

Hearing of Contempt Case Against
President of District Number 11
Is Set for Monday Afternoon.
Failed to End Local Strike.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas district (No. 11), of the United Mine Workers of America, tonight is in jail here awaiting hearing on a charge of contempt of court for alleged violation of the Federal injunction against furtherance of the strike of coal miners. Hearing has been set for next Monday.

Howat appeared in Federal Court this morning at the order of United States District Judge Anderson. He was under bond of \$10,000, provided in the form of a check on a Kansas bank. Judge Anderson disapproved this form of bond and insisted that after the afternoon session of court began at 2 o'clock, the minimum bond of \$10,000 be paid in cash.

Judge Anderson this morning denounced Howat for his attitude in connection with the court's injunction against the strike. "Either I have to vindicate the law or abdicate in favor of Mr. Howat," he declared.

The hearing this morning began with a response by Henry Warren, chief counsel for the United Mine Workers of America, who declared that the position was taken that Howat, in keeping in force a local strike of 1,000 miners in the Kansas district, which was called last July, did not violate the injunction against furtherance of the general strike, but complied with the injunction.

Warren declared that the local strike was merged with the general strike on October 31, and therefore had to do with the general strike. He declared that the local strike was merged with the general strike on October 31, and therefore had to do with the general strike.

War Measures Still in Effect.
Anderson declared that the local strike was merged with the general strike on October 31, and therefore had to do with the general strike.

This defendant, he declared, "accepted the statements in the indictment on December 3, violated the law, and the court's injunction, and the law is now in effect."

Now, the question is, shall I do it. It is perfectly plain that the defendant is in a bad fix, and that he is going to do it. Now I have continued this case to do it. Now I have continued this case to do it.

During the past three months, the government has been in a bad fix, and that he is going to do it. Now I have continued this case to do it.

Final contributions received yesterday to be divided equally among the ten families. The fund was established to help ten stricken families in Richmond and the surrounding area.

Contributors include: M. H. K., \$10.00; A. Friend, \$5.00; Mrs. Hargrett, \$5.00; T. M. S., \$5.00; J. E. H., \$5.00; C. H. G., \$5.00; P. J. C., \$5.00; M. B. C., \$5.00; H. C. W., \$5.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$172.75; Opportunity No. 1, \$1.00; Mrs. P. M. Repberger, \$1.00; A. B., \$1.00; Yesterday's contributions, \$3.00; Cash, \$1.00; P. A. B., \$1.00; A friend from the country, \$1.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$1.00; Opportunity No. 8, \$1.00; P. A. B., \$1.00; A friend from the country, \$1.00; Yesterday's contributions, \$3.50; Opportunity No. 10, \$1.00; Miss Frances B. Rupberger, \$1.00.

Yesterday's contributions, \$1.00; Final total, \$2,850.05.

Lodge and Underwood Seek Basis For Compromise on Peace Treaty

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Compromise efforts for ratification of the peace treaty moved forward today, increasing today when the leaders of both parties in the Senate, released from legislative duties by the holiday recess of Congress, came actively into the negotiations for an agreement on reservations.

Continued in the day's long series of conference conferences was a meeting between Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, the Republican leader, and Senator Underwood, of Alabama, a prominent Democratic advocate of a speedy compromise.

Meaning the acting Democratic leader, Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, canvassed sentiment on both sides of the controversy and arranged during the coming week to see every Republican Senator, including Underwood, to discuss the peace treaty.

While the text of the note was not made public, the official statement being on it, it was given out today that the note contained the phraseology almost of an ultimatum.

The department's information is that the note was given out today that the note contained the phraseology almost of an ultimatum.

Federal Troops Called to Aid.
The department's information is that the note was given out today that the note contained the phraseology almost of an ultimatum.

The Mexican federal forces were under command of General Riquelme and were in the state of Mexico. The Mexican federal forces were under command of General Riquelme and were in the state of Mexico.

The condition of Virginia Representative in Washington Hospital Shows No Improvement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The condition of Representative Walter A. Watson, of Virginia, who has been in the hospital since December 10, shows no improvement.

WALTER A. WATSON
ILL; HAS BUT FAINT
CHANCE OF RECOVERY

Condition of Virginia Representative in Washington Hospital Shows No Improvement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The condition of Representative Walter A. Watson, of Virginia, who has been in the hospital since December 10, shows no improvement.

SALE OF NINE MILLION
POUNDS OF SUGAR
HELD UP BY OFFICIALS

New York Federal Food Administrator Stops Disposal of
Cuban Product at 19 1/2c-20c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The proposed sale of 9,000,000 pounds of Cuban sugar held up by officials.

MURDERED QUADRUPLETS FOUND BY BOY SKATERS

Investigator Discovers That Four Siblings Were Born of One Mother.

Attorney General SAYS DECLINE IN Price Situation Under Control and Law's Hand Is Laid on Profiteers.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Expectation of a decline in retail food prices beginning between January 1 and March 1 was expressed tonight by Attorney General Palmer in a statement summing up the efforts of the government to date in forcing down the cost of living.

"The cost of living, already under control," said the Attorney General, "can be reduced if every one who produces it produces it, if those who buy it pay a reasonable price, and if all profiteers are eliminated."

Explaining that a downward trend in retail food prices had been shown during the first two months of the year, Attorney General Palmer said that the government was forcing down the cost of living.

Prices Are Now Stationary.
Although statistics compiled annually by the Department of Commerce show that in previous years retail food prices had increased during the fall months, Mr. Palmer said that this year's prices had been practically stationary.

But the trend of the year was not stationary. The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

Commerce at High Mark

American Exports and Imports for November Second Greatest in
Nation's History.

Attorney General SAYS DECLINE IN Price Situation Under Control and Law's Hand Is Laid on Profiteers.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Expectation of a decline in retail food prices beginning between January 1 and March 1 was expressed tonight by Attorney General Palmer in a statement summing up the efforts of the government to date in forcing down the cost of living.

"The cost of living, already under control," said the Attorney General, "can be reduced if every one who produces it produces it, if those who buy it pay a reasonable price, and if all profiteers are eliminated."

Explaining that a downward trend in retail food prices had been shown during the first two months of the year, Attorney General Palmer said that the government was forcing down the cost of living.

Prices Are Now Stationary.
Although statistics compiled annually by the Department of Commerce show that in previous years retail food prices had increased during the fall months, Mr. Palmer said that this year's prices had been practically stationary.

But the trend of the year was not stationary. The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

The government was forcing down the cost of living.

Commerce at High Mark

American Exports and Imports for November Second Greatest in
Nation's History.